

AZ-040-1790-5
(Rev. 08/02)

Categorical Exclusion Documentation

CER Number: AZ-040-2005-01

Date: 10-18-04

Applicant: Grazing Allottee – Double R cattle Co. Diane Patterson

Location: St Johns Allotment No. 06255

Project: Grazing Allotment Transfer/Split

DESCRIPTION: Zuni River allotment 06170 will be split into two allotments, Zuni Concho 06170, and St Johns Ranch 06255. Same owners but each will have their own allotment.

Categorical Exclusion No: 516 DM 6, Appendix 5, D.1, Approval of Transfer of Grazing Preference.

The Proposed action conforms with the following Land-Use Plan: x YES NO

Safford District Resource Management Plan Approved In Partial Record of Decision (ROD) Part I in 1992 and Part II in 1994, as amended.

CHECKLIST

EXCEPTION APPLIES (YES/NO)

(1) Health & Safety	NO
(2) Unique Resources	NO
(3) Controversial	NO
(4) Risks	NO
(5) Precedent	NO
(6) Cumulative	NO
(7) Cultural & Historical	NO
(8) T.& E. Species	NO
(9) Violates Executive Orders 11988 or 11990	NO
(10) Violates Law	NO

Comments on the exceptions listed above:

There are no issues that would require additional review prior to approving the allotment transfer.

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Compliance and assignment of Responsibility: John Whitmer – Rangeland Management Specialist

Monitoring and assignment of Responsibility: John Whitmer – Rangeland Management Specialist.

Required Stipulations:

Standard grazing stipulations listed on applicant's grazing permit.

I have reviewed the proposed action using the Categorical Exclusion Review (CER) process described in BLM Manual H-1790-1 pages II-1 and II-2 and appendix 4. The proposed action does not seem to conflict with major land-use plans and will not have major adverse impacts on other resources. Therefore, it does not represent an exception, and is categorically excluded from further environmental review.

Prepared by: /s/ John Whitmer Date: 10/18/04

Reviewed by: /s/ Marlo Draper Date: 10/18/04
(Planning and Environmental Coordinator)

Approved by: /s/ Thomas Schnell Date: 10/18/04
Acting (Assistant Field Office Manager for Resource Use and Protection)

